

## **Minutes of the Public Works Committee – July 8, 2004**

Chair Manke called the meeting to order at 8:37 a.m. and led the committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Present:** Chair Richard Manke, County Board Supervisors James Behrend, Hank Carlson, Karl Nilson, Rodell Singert, David Swan. **Absent:** Supervisor Peter Gundrum. Supervisors Behrend and Carlson arrived at 8:40 a.m. Supervisor Singert left the meeting at 9:40 a.m. Supervisor Behrend left the meeting at 9:42 a.m.

**Staff Present:** Legislative Policy Advisor Mark Mader, Office Services Coordinator Windy Jicha

**Also Present:** County Board Chairman Jim Dwyer, Public Works Director Rich Bolte, Building Projects Manager Dennis Cerreta, Engineering Services Manager Gary Evans, Airport Operations Assistant Michael Neau, Airport Manager Keith Markano.

### **Public Comment**

Dwyer said the next Public Works meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 13 at 1:30 p.m. and will include a tour of the facility located at 1120 Northview Road. The tour was set up for this time because staff was available to provide a tour of the facility.

Singert commented on a Milwaukee Journal Sentinel article discussing reformulated gas issue and Kenosha County. Kenosha County has been included in a non-attainment area along with six Illinois counties and two Indiana counties. Kenosha doesn't violate standards but is falling under the regulations.

Supervisors Behrend and Carlson arrived at 8:40 a.m.

### **Approve Minutes of May 27, 2004**

**Motion:** Behrend moved, Carlson second, to approve the minutes of May 27, 2004. **Motion carried: 6-0.**

### **Report from Executive Committee Member for Meeting of June 21, 2004**

Jicha reported that the committee had a discussion with Representative Scott Gunderson on legislative issues. They heard an update on the Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Audit Response and the current five-year capital projects plan. The committee approved several appointments. Finally, the committee discussed the Wisconsin Attorney General's opinion on "comment" and "report agenda items" and changes to county committee agendas.

### **Report by Committee Member Attending Airport Commission Meeting of June 9, 2004**

Singert read from the airport fuel flowage report. Jet fuel usage for the period of May 2003 to May 2004 has increased 8.56%. Airport operations are up 5.58%.

### **Correspondence**

1. 6/2/04 Email from Dan Finley (via Shirlene Hazelberg) to Dick Manke regarding WI State Statute 62.23(7) (i).
2. 6/8/04 Email from Duane Stamsta to Rich Bolte (cc Dick Manke) regarding a call from Perry Gleisner regarding the speed limit on HWY JK in Hartland.

### **Consider Proposed Ordinance: 159-O-034 Order to Convey Title to Highway Right of Way to the State of Wisconsin, Project FI 056-1(13) Parcel 34**

**MOTION:** Behrend moved, Carlson second, to approve Ordinance 159-O-034.

Behrend wondered if the Town of Delafield knew what the state is up to regarding these parcels. He said

people have been contacting the Town of Delafield to buy the parcels for commercial use.

**ON THE MOTION: Motion carried: 6-0.**

**Consider Proposed Ordinance: 159-O-033 Order to Convey Title to Highway Right of Way to the State of Wisconsin, Project FI 056-1(13) Parcel 35**

**MOTION:** Behrend moved, Swan second, to approve Ordinance 159-O-033.

Evans shared a map outlining where this parcel of land is located. The map contained in the yellow copies shows parcels 34 and 35 as one parcel without any dividing lines. Bolte said he would provide the board with a better map before the County Board meeting.

**ON THE MOTION: Motion carried: 6-0.**

**Consider Proposed Ordinance: 159-O-035 Establishment of Speed Zone on CTH "E"**

Bolte said this ordinance reduces the speed zone on C.T.H. E to 45 miles per hour from its intersection with South Shore Drive southerly to the Waukesha County line. The former speed limit at this location was 55 miles per hour. A study of the speed in this area was prompted by citizens' requests. Nilson said he wanted to receive more information on where the speeds change and what the speeds are on this road.

**MOTION:** Nilson moved, Behrend second, to table this ordinance until the various speeds were made available to the committee. **Motion carried: 4-2.** (Manke and Calson voted no.)

**Consider Proposed Ordinance: 159-O-018 Dispose of Building at 1120 Northview Road (Tabled at meeting of 5/27/04)**

The committee did not discuss this ordinance.

**Status Update on Jail Construction**

Cerreta said the bricking has been started and walls are being constructed. The schedule is three to four weeks behind schedule due to rain. Cerreta isn't sure if this delay will be an issue yet and they may be able to make up the time as construction continues. Cerreta distributed a handout titled; "Waukesha County Justice Center Expansion Contingency Log" dated July 6, 2004. The total contingency budget for this project is \$2,300,000. To date, \$944,619.64 of the contingency fund has been spent leaving a balance of \$1,355,380.36 in the fund.

Swan asked, what are the parameters for using the contingency funds? Bolte said we use the contingency funds for unanticipated expenses not otherwise covered by contract. It isn't used for enhancements to the original plan. An example was when we found unsuitable soil conditions while putting in the pilings. We used contingency funds to cover the costs of fixing the unplanned soil conditions. The project itself was part of the original project intent.

Nilson inquired about the video visitation. He said he did not feel this approach was constitutional. Bolte said the approach had been thoroughly researched and discussed in public.

Carlson asked what happens if there is an error in planning and you need to include additional items? Bolte said that would be taken care of through a change order, paid for from the contingency funds and considered an error or omission. There have been four errors/omissions on the project. Mader asked what are the four errors/omissions? Cerreta said he would prefer to get the list of errors and omissions before discussing them with the committee. Errors and omissions are complicated issues that take time to thoroughly investigate the errors/omissions to determine who is responsible.

Swan asked about the new pilings. Cerreta said they found unusual soil conditions while digging for the

pilings and the soil needed to be fixed. The cost of this correction is the majority of the monies found in item number 010 of the contingency list.

### **Overview of Computerized Databases in the Public Works Department**

Evans wanted to give a visual display of the new databases but the systems were not working. Bolte said they have linked the work completed by the Public Works Department with the GIS system. Databases are linked to the mapping. Public Works staff is able to see on county maps the locations of culverts, bridges, speed limits and signage, storm sewers, etc. This presentation will be rescheduled for a later date due to technical difficulties.

### **Discuss Funding of \$26,300 for Wisconsin River Rail Transit Commission**

Nilson said we should pay this while we have the money.

Singert said his amendment still works for this. His philosophy of spreading out the peaks and valleys of spending is a viable solution which would indicate the money would be paid over a two-year period using fund balance plus additional county monies.

Manke said the 2004 budget says, when the other counties in the WRRTC pay, we will pay our portion. Manke read the details of this issue from page 399 of the 2004 Budget Book.

**MOTION:** Nilson moved, Carlson second, to request that the Executive Committee draw up an ordinance to release \$26,300 in funding for the Wisconsin River Rail Transit Commission as directed by the 2004 budget.

Behrend said he supports using money in the WRRTC fund balance and also putting money into the fund on a regular basis.

Singert said our fund balance has increased due to interest and investments. Manke said we aren't talking about the fund balance but rather paying the bill.

**ON THE MOTION: Motion carried: 6-0.**

Supervisor Singert left the meeting at 9:40 a.m. Supervisor Behrend left the meeting at 9:42 a.m.

The committee took a break from 9:42 a.m. to 10:40 a.m. because they were significantly ahead of schedule.

### **Consider Proposed Ordinance: 159-O-032 Accept General Aviation Airports Grant Award from Wisconsin Office of Justice Assistance for Security Related Projects and Protection of Critical Infrastructure**

**MOTION:** Nilson moved, Carlson second, to approve Ordinance 159-O-032.

Markano and Neau presented this ordinance which authorizes the Waukesha County Airport to accept a Homeland Security grant through the Wisconsin office of Justice Assistance in the amount of \$150,000. The funds will be used for repairs and improvements to the airport's perimeter fence and gates. The new gate system will be similar to the system currently used in the Courthouse. Airport users will be issued access cards to enter/exit the airport grounds. Visitors can be issued cards with limited times, dates or deadlines for access. Staff will access the card readers and gate system through laptops. Stolen or lost cards can be wiped out of the system through the laptops.

Markano said no local match will be required and no additional operating expenses will be generated by the improvements. It is anticipated there may be some savings due to a reduced need for fence and gate repairs. The ordinance also authorized the appropriation of \$150,000 in additional expenditure authority and a corresponding amount of Intergovernmental grant revenue in the 2004 Waukesha County Airport budget.

Nilson asked when does the money need to be spent? Markano said they have 60 days to spend the money. Because the 60 days expires before the County Board meets to approve this ordinance, Markano put a call into the Office of Justice Assistance (OJA) to explain the situation. The airport staff will notify the OJA how the money was spent upon project completion. Nilson asked, is this enough money? Markano said it is enough to do what they want for now. The system they are installing can be built upon at a later date.

Swan asked why the committee didn't receive information from the airport regarding their intent to apply for the grant? Markano said the intent to apply for the grant was given and approved by the County Executive in May. Mader said Esler said the intent to apply for the grant was received in the office but it did not coincide with a committee meeting date for discussion in a timely fashion. It was simply a timing issue.

**ON THE MOTION: Motion carried: 4-0.**

#### **Motion to Adjourn**

**MOTION:** Swan moved, Nilson second, to adjourn the meeting at 10:55 a.m. **Motion carried: 4 – 0.**

Respectfully submitted,

Rodell L. Singert  
Secretary